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	3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is					
closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.						
Disposition of Claims						
4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-14</u> is/are pending in the application.						
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.						
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.						
6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-14</u> is/are rejected. 7)□ Claim(s) is/are objected to.						
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Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119	·					
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a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of: 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.						
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3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage						
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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-14 have been considered but are most in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Barker et al. (Barker) (US 6,646,765) in view of Yakata (JP 10275206).

With regard to claim 1, Barker discloses a method for making written documents, comprising: generating a cover sheet including machine readable information and scanning a document using the cover sheet (column 7, lines 35-56).

Barker does not teach a cover sheet including tactilely readable information.

Yakata discloses a label (similar to cover sheet) including tactilely readable markings (braille) available to the visually impaired and encoding information which can be read by an optical reader (paragraphs 0005 and abstract).

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Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Barker to include including tactilely readable markings (braille) available to the visually impaired as taught by Yakata.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Barker by the teaching of Yakata because it would

With regard to claim 2, Barker discloses wherein the document includes at least one user-selectable parameter, and the method further comprises selecting the at least one user-selectable parameter (column 5, lines 14-43, figure 3).

have allow visually impaired person having privileged to fax a document.

With regard to claim 3, Barker discloses wherein selecting the at least one user-selectable parameter includes checking a box on the sheet (column 5, lines 14-43, figure 3).

With regard to claim 4, Barker discloses wherein the at least one user selectable parameter includes at least one email address (column 5, lines 14-43, figure 3).

With regard to claim 5, Barker discloses wherein the at least one user selectable parameter includes a database (column 9, lines 45-67).

With regard to claim 6, Barker discloses wherein the at least one user selectable parameter includes a group printer (column 2, lines 20-26).

With regard to claim 7, Barker differs from claim 7, in that he does not teach tactilely reading the cover sheet.

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information which can be read by an optical reader (paragraphs 0005 and abstract).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to include including tactilely readable markings (braille) available to the visually impaired as taught by Yakata. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Barker by the teaching of Yakata because it would have allow visually impaired person having privileged to fax a document.

With regard to claim 8, the subject matter is similar to claim 1. Therefore the rejection on claim 8 is the same as rejection on claim 1.

With regard to claim 9, Barker discloses wherein the sheet also contains user selectable markings (column 5, lines 14-43, figure 3).

With regard to claim 10, Barker discloses wherein the tactilely readable markings includes a description of the user-selectable features (column 5, lines 14-43, figure 3).

With regard to claim 11, Barker discloses wherein the user selectable markings include at least one email address (column 5, lines 14-43, figure 3).

With regard to claim 12, Yakata discloses wherein the tactilely readable markings include Braille (paragraph 0005).

With regard to claim 13, Barker discloses wherein the machine readable markings include a bar code (figure 3, block 54).

With regard to claim 14, Barker discloses wherein the machine readable markings includes glyphs (column 5, lines 14-43, figure 3).

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Quang N. Vo whose telephone number is 5712701121. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30AM-5:00PM Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, King Y. Poon can be reached on 5712727440. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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